

BILLY THE KID

(continued from page two) paining for that the people with whom I con-edge of versed were still suspicious of me gateway and that many or them were on the for the page of the

If he was in or about Fort Summer he him not to be afermed that he he would most likely be found enter bould not be hurt, without the ting or leaving this bound some time least applicion that this was the during the night, and proposed that man we were looking for. As I we o into a grove of trees near the board toward him, trying to reastow a conceal our borses, then ata sure him, he backed up -min the tip ourselves in the peach orthard (Darries of Marsell's room and a

soon was shiping brightly.

when Mr. Garrett stared that he be there in a country is the marking of the room when Mr. Garrett stared that he be there is a country in the marking of the room and that we read a country little path in our being able to accomplish anything when the started on the trip, and proposed that we leave the town without letting the people know that we bad been there in search of the Rid. I proposed that, before leaving we should so to the residence of Peter Maxwell, a man who, up to that time, I had never seen, but who, by reputation, I knew to be a man of considerable wealth and influence, and who, by reason of his being a leading citizen and having large property interests should, according to my reasoning, aid us in ridding the country of a man who was look.

The Kid is Killed. to my reasoning and us in ridding the country of a man who was looked upon as a scourge and a curse by gaaps as of someone dying in the room. An instant later war, ett came room. An instant later war, ett came

"Garrett agreed to this an' there-upon led us from the orehard by cir-cuitous by-paths to Maxwell's resi-dence, which was a building former-ty used as officer's quarters during the days when a garrison of troops had been maintained at the fort. "Upon our arrival at the residence

a very long one-story adobe build-ing standing end to and flush with the street, having a porch on the south side which was the direction from which we approached, the premises all being enclosed by a paling fence, one side of which ran parallel to and along the edge of the street up to and across the end of the porch to the corner of the building. Gar-rott said to me: "This is Maxwell's room in the corner; you fellows wait here while I go in and talk with him, and thereupon stepped onto the porch and entered Maxwed's room through the open door their open on agreement of the extremely warm meather), while the other two or us atomped on the outside, McKinpaling fence and I sitting on edge of the perch in the small op a gateway leading from the street of

and that many of them were on the alert, expecting something to happen. In fact, there was a very tense situation in Fort Sumner that day, as the Kid was at that time hiding in one of the native houses there, and if the object of my visit had become known I would have stood no chance for my life watever.

"It was understood when I left my companions in the morning that in case of my being unable to secure definite information in Fort Sumner as to the object of our visit I was to go to the ranch of a Mr. Rudolph fan acquaintance and friend of Garrett's) whose ranch was located some seven miles north of Sumner at a place called 'Sunnyside,' with the purpose of securing from him, if possible, some information as to the whereabouts of the man we were after."

Mr. Poe spent the afternoon with Billy the Kld Appears.

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Mr. Poo spent the afternoon with Mr. Randolph but was unable to secure any information from him as to the whereabouts of the Kid. About dark, therefore he saddled up and rode directly to the point where he had agreed to meet Garrett and Mekinner

We have held a consultation continues Mr. Poo. "as to what further the conti

of rear of the house in question he halted for a moment, his hady thus keep watch on who might concated to the third adule was a mill go. This course was sured the side of the doorway, but he head

this until after the shooting i was We kept up a fourtiers watch anabie to see what took place on here until some time after 11 o'clock account of the districts of the room

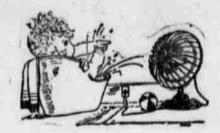
passed, stood by me close to the wall at the side of the door and said to me, "That was the kid that came ui there onso me and I think I ve got him.' I said, 'Pat, the Kid would not come to this place.' Upon my saying this Garrett seemed for a moment to be in doubt himself as to whom he had shot, but quickly spoke up and said, 'I am sure that was him for I know his voice too well to be mistaken.' This remark of Garnett's relieved me of considerable apprehension, as I had feit almost certain that someone whom we did not want had been

"A moment after Garrett came out of the door Pete Maxwell sushed squarely onto me in a frantic effort. to get out of the room and I certainly would have shot him but for Carrett striking my gun down, say-

Garrett striking my gun down, saying, "Don't shoot Maxwell!"
"I have ever since felt grateful that I did not shoot Maxwell, for, as I learned afterward, he was at heart a well meaning, thoriensive and very timin man. We afterward learned that the kid had frequently been at this house after his escape from Lincoln but Maxwell stood in

been at this house after his escape from Lincoln but Maxwell stood in such terror of him that he did not dare inform against him. End of a Bloody Desperado.

By this time all was quiet with-in the room and as on account of the darkness we were unable to neewhat the conditions were inside or what the result of the shooting had been, we, after some rather force-ful persuasion, induced Maxwell to procure a light, which he finally did by bringing an old-fashioned tallow candle from his mother's room at the further end of the building,



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their triand, while several of the "We spent the remainder of the women pleaded for permission to bight on the Maxwell premission take charge of the body, which we keeping constantly on our coard, as allowed them to do, they carrying it we were expecting to be attached across the yard to a carpenter shop, by the friends of the man killed where it was laid out on a work Nothing of the kind occurred, but bench, the women placing burning ever. The next morning we are to candles around it, according to their a Justice of the Peace, who held a Ideas of properly conducting a wake inquest over the body, the

came into view in the yard up to military burying ground at Fort the time he was killed happened in Summer.

much less time than it takes to tell
it, not more than thirty seconds in There have been many wild and tervening between the time I first untrue stories teld of this affair, one saw him and the time he was shot of which was that we had in some From Garrett's statement of what way learned in advance that the took place in the room after he en- Kid would come to Maxwell's pastered it, it appears that, leaving his dence that night and had concealed Winchester standing by the side of ourselves there with the purpose of the door, he approached the bed waylaying and killing him. Anoth-where Maxwell was sleeping, arouser was that we had cut off his fin-ing him and sitting down on the gers and carried them away as fro-

to a und we entered the past of the sloerest, but his few forth and should be the rear to the end, where the best heart is the sale for the first past of the sloer to the sale for the sale for the sale should be cheeked and placing assumes that after to had taken to get a talk with Max findless or selected in the glocal or within a few feet of him when he the outside of the windless of the possible for a talk with Max should be considered to the findless of the possible free a talk in heard some as the disappeared into the room. After he can of the inside where we now and set and the intention when a sale for the inside where we now and set and the intention when a heles of his incide where we saw and set qualify listening when a six harden his back has a successful the middle of the room with a six harden his right fand and a buttler faire of his right fand and a buttler faire at his right fand one of his who are then for his own our cranding in the had we found if to be that of falls the fair to be the had not up to now some formula string at the head of the retry first shot had nenerated his bed. When he spoke to blacket there was some reason for believing that the fair when he carried the resonance of the resonance of the fair we had been some better the first while only about 2.5 years of the movement attracted the fair of the fair we had been some better the way at the time of less death, had Kill's attention, who, seeing that a stopping for the night, warning him filled a greater manker or men that Rilled a greecer number of men than many was sliting there, instantly and our presence and upon thinking any of the camp desperadoes and covered him with his sla-shouter. Sillers I have known or heard or backing ways and demanding are during the forty-five years I have trail times in Spanish to know way been in the Southwest.

"Window a very short time after without right from where he was been united a number of the Siller without right from where he was been another time after without right from where he was been united a number of the Siller without right from where he was been united a number of the Siller without right from where he was was shooting quite a number of the citting, fired with the result stated, native people had gathered around, This occurred on the night of July some of them is walling the doubt of 11, 1881, about midnight

of the jury being such as to Justics What Happened in Maxwell's Room, the killing, and later on the same "All that occurred after the Kid day the body was buried in the old

phies or soovenirs, and of later idea that a higher power controls years it has been said many times and rules the destinies of men. To that the Kid was not dead at all, me it seemed that what occurred in but had been seen alive and well in Port Summer on that night had acturious places. The actual tacts, builty been forecontained."

Carrier of John W. Poes.

John W. Poe was born in Mason time this of the other, its wall for high at the Maxwell 1888. He came were to Kanson promites if there had been the class in 1868 and to Frank in 1872.

For according to the fore, the past in Tree in Port (1916-list in came was a compliance).

"I have been in many closs places and through many trying sper-lences, both before and after this occurrence, but never on where I was so forcibly improved with the

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